

All Regional Engineers

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Special Provision for Suspension of Slipformed Parapets

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This special provision was developed by the Bureau of Bridges and Structures to suspend the slipform method for constructing bridge parapets. The suspension is in response to the findings of a recent FHWA / IDOT process review team report. The review team identified widespread deterioration of parapets built using the slipform method that was not seen in conventionally formed parapets..

This special provision should be inserted into all contracts involving parapet construction. This will include most bridge contracts and some retaining wall contracts.

Note. This suspension does not apply to concrete barriers.

The districts should include the BDE Check Sheet marked with the applicable special provisions for the April 29, 2005 and subsequent lettings. The Project Development and Implementation Section will include a copy in the contract.

This special provision will available on the transfer directory January 14, 2005.

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SUSPENSION OF SLIPFORMED PARAPETS (BDE)

Effective: June 11, 2004

The slipforming option, as stated in Article 503.17(e)(1) of the Standard Specifications will not be allowed on this project.

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